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| NOTE: (See 37 CFR 1.116 and 41.33(a)). 4. The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.12 5. Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): 6. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would be allowed an endowable claim(s). 7. For purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): a) [2] | owable if submitted in a separate, t | imely filed amendmer | t canceling the |
| how the new or amended claims would be rejected is prov The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows: Claim(s) allowed: Claim(s) objected to: Claim(s) rejected: Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: AFFIDAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE | | | |
| The affidavit or other evidence filed after a final action, but because applicant failed to provide a showing of good and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 1.116(e). | | | |
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| The request for reconsideration has been considered but <u>See Continuation Sheet.</u> | , | condition for allowand | ce because: |
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Continuation of 11. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: New Claim 23 is drawn to a compound of Formula (I). Applicants elected without traverse a method of using a compound of Formula (I). Thus, Newly added Claim 23 is considered nonelected subject matter. Because it is non-elected subject matter, the proposed amendment will not be entered.